

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Double Patenting

Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in response to the Examiner's double patenting rejection.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that the claims are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance referring to claims 1-8, and 20-21, is therefore respectfully requested to issue at the earliest possible date.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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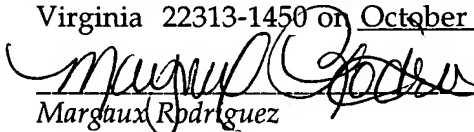
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